



# 2010 1st Quarter Newsletter

## *A Message from the President*

"When I was a boy I was told that anybody could become President. Now I'm beginning to believe it."  
- Clarence Darrow (1857 - 1938)

As a long-time FAPMS member, I am honored to have been elected as President of a vibrant Society that is in the midst of some change and innovation. Stemming from new industry and research initiatives, we look forward to learning how best to utilize newly-labeled compounds and possibly new biological control agents. We will also continue fine-tuning our knowledge of the uses of other long-standing materials, organisms and techniques.

Aquatic resource management-related industries have continued to provide tremendous technical support for all of us, despite the difficult economy. Their support at our 2009 Training Conference contributed greatly to a successful conference. Beyond their financial contributions, their representatives shared lots of information during face-to-face meetings and technical presentations during the program. So, hats off – and thanks – to the vendors and industry representatives who continue to support FAPMS as we enter into our 34th year as a Society.

Also, FAPMS members will likely face change as the US EPA implements new pesticide use and reporting protocols through modifications to National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits. We will undoubtedly demonstrate our continued professionalism as we adapt and learn what's needed to comply with this impending federal bureaucratic modification.

FAPMS today counts 663 aquatic plant managers as its members. And despite the difficulties imposed by travel restrictions, 286 of us were able to attend the 2009 conference. Such good attendance shows a tremendous level of commitment (and probably some tremendous skills of persuasion) to continue to maintain and advance our technical expertise. We, the members, are the central reason FAPMS continues to exist and succeed. We continue to be innovative and dedicated to the maintenance and health of Florida's aquatic heritage. The future will continue to present challenges. Yet, given our history of proficiency and adaptability I'm sure the Florida Aquatic Plant Management Society will continue to provide a vital forum for protection of the rich aquatic resources that we are lucky enough to call our workplace.

Here's to another great year of cooperative innovation and professionalism.

*Sincerely,*

*Mike Bodle  
FAPMS President*

# AGENDA

## 2010 1st Quarter FAPMS Board of Directors Meeting January 26th • 10:00 A.M. Reedy Creek Lab

Call to Order at 10:00A.M..... Mike Bodle  
Roll Call ..... Stephanie Walters  
Approval of Minutes 4th Quarter..... Mike Bodle  
Correspondence ..... Mike Bodle  
Treasurer's Report..... Jennifer Myers  
Secretary's Report..... Secretary Walters  
Editor's Report..... Jeff Holland

### Committee Reports

1. Auditing ..... Keshav Setaram
2. Awards ..... Mitch Morgan
3. By-Laws ..... Stephanie McCarty
4. Governmental Affairs .....
5. Historical .....
6. Local Arrangements ..... Bill Torres
7. Mailing List ..... Jennifer Myers
8. Merchandising ..... Steve Montgomery
9. Nominating ..... Vernon Vandiver
10. Program ..... Mike Houlan
11. Resource Demonstration ..... John Evertsen
12. Scholarship ..... Don Doggett
13. Vendor ..... Dan Bergeson
14. Website ..... Angie Huebner
15. Membership & Publicity ..... Vernon Vandiver

President Bodle called the meeting to order at 10:10 am, Secretary Walters took role and a quorum was declared. President Mike asked if there were any changes, deletions, or omissions to the 4th qtr minutes. No changes were made. Jeff Holland made a motion to approve the 4th qtr minutes, Ed Harris seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

### Correspondence:

Committee chair positions, Historical, Governmental, Program  
Honorary Membership List  
Mailing List

**Treasurers report:** Jennifer Myers reviewed with the board the current financial statement. Jennifer discussed Modern Mailers, the publishing firm for Aquatics magazine. Jennifer suggested setting up an account with them with an up front amount of \$2,000.00, to be renewed automatically as needed. Jennifer Myers made a motion to approve for the amount 2,000.00 to Modern Mailers, Jerry Renney seconded, the motion passed unanimously. Jennifer Myers also made a motion to re new the FAPMS membership with AERF in the amount of \$250.00, Jeff Holland seconded the motion, The motion passed unanimously.

**Secretary report:** No report submitted

**Editors report:**

1) We added Eddie Knight back onto the lifetime honorary FAPMS membership list to correct an error made several years ago.

2) Does the Board want to pay for additional web page space to allow for a File Transfer Protocol (FTP) site?

- File Transfer Protocol (FTP) site is a web hosting service that allows users to upload and download very large computer files.
- Aquatics magazine advertisers often need to upload their ads to a site capable of handling extremely large files.
- Our web master Dave Petty has indicated that an FTP site could be used to maintain the master list of FAPMS members and the national APMS/FAPMS mailing list for the Aquatics magazine. Pass protected if needed.
- Presenters at annual meetings could use the FTP site to upload their entire presentation files in advance.
- Annual meeting proceedings could be listed on the ftp site.
- Are there other needs?

If the Board will provide me a list of potential needs for an FTP site (such as the one listed above), I will work with Dave Petty to calculate the amount of FTP computer space required and obtain a cost estimate.

Jeff will look in to further details and present the information to the board at the 2nd qtr, meeting.

3) The transition of the magazine to in-house production was initiated in 2009 and continued in 2010. The overall look of the magazine was updated to attract more interest but only two magazine issues were produced in 2009. Please ask your FAPMS members to submit stories, articles, or informational fact by March 2010!

4) I will not be pursuing a sixth -year editor position in the Fall of 2010 so please consider alternative editors.

Mike Netherland discussed with the board speaking with possibly having the University of Florida to edit and find articles for Aquatics Magazine for a year after the fall of Jeff's resignation.

Jeff also discussed with the board, the possibility of paying an incoming editor, as well as paying for submitted articles.

Stephanie made a motion to approve the officers reports, Dan Bergeson seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

**Auditing:** No Report Submitted

**Awards:** No Report Submitted

**By Laws:** Stephanie McCarty asked the board members to review through the By Laws and SOP's and to email her with the requested changes to the past president Mike Netherland. Stephanie asked for these changes to please be submitted by the second qtr. Board of directors meeting.

**Financial:** No Report Submitted

**Government Affairs:** Searching for New Governmental Affairs Committee

I suggested Jeff Schardt as he is really up on NPDES permitting and other actions in the Florida

Legislature, so I really think that's the way to go to get some useful, first hand information, or even Bill Caton, I would however like to be informed of the board meetings and will attend when I can, but will be in Louisiana on Jan 26, so will miss another one!!! Bill

Mike Bodle presented to the board that Jeff Schardt has accepted the position as Governmental Affairs Committee chair. Mike spoke on Jeff's behalf, that there could possibly be a draft for the NPDES permits for applications by April, and also reviewed that the funding for Aquatic Plant control is still under review. Mike Netherland discussed with the board that these issues will be discussed at the annual APMS meeting and encouraged everyone to attend.

Jeff Holland suggested to the board to review the new Class 3 surface water criteria for Chlorophyll, total Nitrogen, Total Nutrients

**Historical:** Searching for new Historical Committee Dharmen suggested speaking to John Gardner

**Local Arrangements:** No report submitted

**Mailing list:** The FAPMS Treasurer will maintain the local FAPMS mailing list, Dave Petty will maintain the National Mailing list that is used for Aquatics Magazine

**Membership & Publicity:** Vernon Vandiver, "I would like the Board to consider pursuing a mass mailing to prospective members. I have not yet looked into obtaining a mailing list."

For the Aquatics advertising program:

I would like the Board to discuss some long-term issues regarding the relationships of the Board, the Editorial Committee and the Aquatics advertising program.,

**Merchandise:** Andy Price spoke to the board on Steve's behalf on the possibility of FAPMS considering producing FAPMS license plates. Mike Netherland asked for the totals of the old Merchandise sales, and asked for Steve to please have the totals and inventory report for the 2nd qrt. Meeting.

**Nominating:** Mike Netherland suggested for Don Doggett, Angie Huebner to form the nominating committee, James Godfrey made a motion to approve the above slate for Nominating committee, Dharmen seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.  
Past President Advisory No report

**Program:** Searching for New program Committee. President Bodle asked for the board to please help search for an incoming program committee chair person as soon as possible. Mike Netherland reviewed the duties of the Program Chair,

**Resource Demonstration:** Stephanie asked for the Sop's & By Law's to be reviewed and to reflect both the Resource and Equipment Demonstration, and to eliminate the wording that restricts the timeline. Stephanie McCarty will present the changes to be voted on at the next board meeting.

## Scholarship:

Dear FAPMS BOD,

We had an unprecedented fifteen sponsors this year for fundraising. The second annual rubber duck race in the swimming pool was again very popular and two shotguns were awarded to winners. For the raffle, several nice items were offered, including a 42" flat screen high definition TV. Fundraising netted over \$7,000 (a new record) despite lower attendance (~273). Add this to our August 31, 2009 net worth of \$96,829.85 and the Foundation assets have finally reached six figures!

Officers for the Foundation are currently: myself as President, Keshav Seteram-Vice President, Joe Joyce-Secretary/Treasurer, Steve Weinsier-Director 2010, P.J. Myers-Director 2011, Mike Netherland-Director 2012. A special "thanks" to Bill Moore whose Director term expired this year and to Francois Laroche who has served as VP for several years.

Sincerely, Don Doggett

President, FAPMS Scholarship & Research Foundation

**Vendor:** No report submitted

**Web site:** Angie review briefly with the board of minor changes to the website. Angie presented to the board, requesting for the photos presented at the annual meeting for the Vic Ramey photo contest to be also submitted in electronic format. (to be included in the newsletter)

President Mike Bodle asked for the approval of the 2010 1st quarter committee reports, Angie Huebner made a motion to approve the committee reports, Ed Harris seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

**Membership & Pub:** No report submitted

**Old Business:** I have been asked whether FAPMS would sponsor the evening reception for the upcoming state-wide hydrilla technical seminar Nov. 9, 10. I have reviewed the Plantation Inn's hors d'oeuvres menu and estimate that for 60 attendees the cost with cash bar would be \$1,000 plus the usual 21% service charge plus 7% sales tax for a total of approximately \$1,280. In my experience, this is within the range of normal current hotel catering costs. I understand that this type of FAPMS support is not unique over the Society's history.

Therefore, I would like to share that Dr. Netherland has made a motion which Mrs. McCarty has seconded that FAPMS support this event in an amount up to \$1,300.

I think I have selected the Outlook function which allows voting Board members to reply by selecting the Approve or Disapprove button in the reply section in the upper left of the screen. Mrs. McCarty reminds me that a simple quorum of 8 votes from the Board would approve this motion. Thanks for your consideration. Mike Bodle VOTED IN FAVOR OF

Mike Netherland discussed with the board, questions that were received at the Hydrilla Technical seminar, and will have those posted to the FAPMS website.

Jeff Holland asked if AERF and APMS was still interested in submitting articles for Aquatics magazine. Dharmen suggested that the NPDES issue be an ongoing article to be updated on a regular basis.

Chance presented to the board the Mike Hulon has offered to take the job as Program Coordinator, Chance will discuss with the board at the next board meeting.

**New Business:** Don Doggett asked the board to donate items or finances for the 50th anniversary of the APMS annual meeting. Mike Netherland reviewed with the board several ideas, Stephanie McCarty suggested that FAPMS sponsor the hospitality reception or dinner. Ed Harris made a motion for a financial commitment in the amount of a \$10,000.00 sponsorship for the 50th anniversary APMS meeting. Stephanie McCarty seconded the motion the motion passed unanimously. Don Doggett, Jennifer Myers and Mike Netherland will present to the board the final details at the next board meeting.

Vernon Vandiver discussed with the board the relationship between the editorial committee and aquatics magazine. Vernon also discussed the number of issues being produced, and how to relate that to our advertisers, and that the advertising fees will need to be reviewed. Vernon suggested that a point of contact needs to be established to make the business decisions related to the publishing of the magazine. He also reviewed Jeff's request to the board members to submit articles for the magazine, and the importance of the support of the magazine by the FAPMS board of Directors and members.

- The board members were each asked to submit articles for Aquatics magazine, and be emailed to Jeff Holland by February 16th.
- Each board member has been asked to assist in the request of articles for Aquatics magazine
- The interim Editorial committee shall be Jeff Holland, Mike Netherland, Vernon Vandiver, Mike Bodle. The Editor as determined by the By Laws is responsible for the publication of Aquatics magazine. The board has determined that includes all aspects of magazine production.

**Site and Time Selection for next meeting:** The suggested site for the 2nd qrt meeting is the new SFWMD Saint Cloud Field Station, April 21st 10:00 A.M.

**Adjourn:** Jennifer Myers made a motion to adjourn the first quarter board of directors meeting, Jeff Holland seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 12:17 P.M.

## ***SAVE THE DATE!***

***2010 annual FAPMS meeting***

***October 19th – 21st***

***Daytona Hilton***

***Daytona Beach, FL***

***Meeting registration will be posted to soon***

***WWW.FAPMS.ORG***

## ***MARK YOUR CALENDARS***

***2010 National APMS meeting***

***Is coming to Florida!!***

***July 11th – 14th***

***Bonita Springs, FL***

# Florida Aquatic Plant Management Society Inc

## Membership Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Company/ Agency \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Your FAPMS membership includes a full year of Aquatics Magazine and the Societies Newsletter. You will be kept up to date on all the latest news and information affecting the aquatics industry

Membership Levels: Active \$35 ☐, Associate (out of state) \$35 ☐, Contributing \$50 ☐, Student \$5 ☐, Library Service \$100 ☐

Is this a new membership ☐ or a renewal ☐ Check if contact information has changed ☐

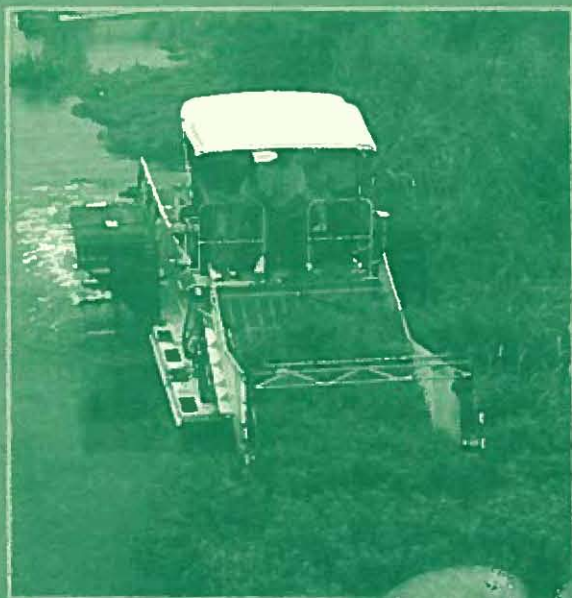
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### ATTENTION!!!

Please note the following proposed changes to the  
By Laws and SOP's

#### Proposed By Law changes ARTICLE VIII - COMMITTEES Section 1.

13. Equipment Demonstration Committee: To coordinate the resource and equipment demonstration based on the FAPMS Annual Meeting arrangements.

#### Proposed SOP changes

#### L. DUTIES OF THE EQUIPMENT DEMONSTRATION COMMITTEE

1. The Equipment Demonstration Committee coordinates the resource and equipment demonstrations held during the FAPMS Annual Meeting.

## FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS-FAPMS 2010 MEETING

The 34th annual training conference will be at the Hilton Daytona Beach. You don't have to be a professional speaker in order to give a paper! We are looking for papers on herbicide application and mechanical techniques (aquatic and right-of-way), mixtures, innovative control measures, re-vegetation projects, new plant introductions, research projects, etc. Remember, FAPMS was formed for the applicator and the annual training conference is a chance to share what you have learned with other members. Each year the Society awards all field applicators that present a paper with a plaque. This year the field applicators presenting the top three papers will receive a plaque and cash awards. First place will receive a \$300 cash award, second place will receive a \$200 cash award, and third place will receive a \$100 cash award.

NOTE: DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS July 31, 2010

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author(s)\*: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\*If more than one author, please circle the name of the person who will present the paper at the meeting.

Title of Talk & Brief Abstract: \_\_\_\_\_

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Biography of Presenter: \_\_\_\_\_

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NOTE: Length of talk is usually 15 minutes. If your presentation is shorter or longer, please indicate the length of talk: \_\_\_\_\_ Minutes \_\_\_\_\_

Check as appropriate:    Applicator paper    \_\_\_\_\_    Computer (Power Point)    \_\_\_\_\_

The accepted format for presentations is PowerPoint. If your presentation is in a different format please contact Mike Hulon to see whether or not it will be compatible with the computers and projector.

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Submit this form to: Fax (863) 696-2922 or email: [texasaquaticmh@aol.com](mailto:texasaquaticmh@aol.com)

## **VIC RAMEY PHOTO CONTEST**

The VIC RAMEY photo contest was created to inspire photographs to be taken to promote education, discussion and competition towards the society's objective of aquatic plant management. Photos are displayed in the banquet room at the annual conference. Photo contest submission format is as follows:

All entry photos must have been taken by a FAPMS member during the contest year.

Photo must be 5" x 7" or 8" x 10" size with or without matte frame.

Included on back of photo should be the photographer name, contact number, submit-tal category (natural aquatic photo or operation equipment, application method, or ap-plicator in the field), location taken, and photograph description or title.

Prizes are ribbons for first, second, or third. Photos are judged in two categories:

Aquatic scene ( any natural aquatic photo), and aquatic operations (any photo of op-eration equipment, application method, or applicator in the field). Photos are judged on relevancy to the category topic (40%), creativity or artistic impression (40%), composi-tion and arrangement (10%) and focus and sharpness (10%). Photo contest judges are selected from attending conference members

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### **Paul C. Myers Applicator Dependent Scholarship**

The Florida Aquatic Plant Management Society Scholarship and Research Foundation, Inc. an-nounces the availability of the following scholarship:

Paul C. Myers Applicator Dependent Scholarship-Provides up to \$1500 to deserving dependents of FAPMS members. The scholarship is based on:

1. The applicant's parent or guardian having been a FAPMS member in good standing for at least three consecutive years.
2. Financial need. Will be determined based on need and the expected family contribution amount indicated on the processing results of a Student Aid Report (OMB No. 1845-0008). This report is available by completing a Free Application for Federal Student Aid Federal Form.
3. The applicant being a high school senior entering college the next academic year, attending junior college, or being a college undergraduate.
4. An evaluation of the quality of the application and required essay by the the scholarship se-lection committee composed of three FAPMS members and four FAPMS Scholarship and Re-search Foundation members.
5. Submission of a completed application by June 1, 2010.
6. For more information or application forms, contact Don Doggett at 239-848-6774 or visit the Society's website: [www.fapms.org](http://www.fapms.org)

# Florida Aquatic Plant Management Society

## Aquatic Plant Manager of the Year

Standard Nomination Form

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency or Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Years of Aquatic Plant Management Experience: \_\_\_\_\_ Years Active FAPMS Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Person Submitting Nomination: \_\_\_\_\_

COMPLETE ALL CATEGORIES THAT ARE APPLICABLE

1 Herbicide Control Experience: (*years and application techniques used*) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2 Biological Control Experience: (*years and agents used*) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

3 Mechanical Control Experience: (*years and experience of equipment used*) \_\_\_\_\_

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4 Public Relations: (*contributions to public, inter-agency, special interest groups*) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

5 Weed Identification: (*exotic/ native, target/ non-targ*) \_\_\_\_\_

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6 Ingenuity: (*methods, ideas, design introduction..*) \_\_\_\_\_

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7 Research: (conducts for self or other reason) \_\_\_\_\_

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8 Work Quality and Consistency: (work with/ without need for direct supervision) \_\_\_\_\_

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9 Environmental Awareness: (endangered species, invasive or prohibited plants) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

10 Education Achievement & Overall Knowledge: (classes, seminars, degrees) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

11 Contributions to the Aquatic Field: (above and beyond the call of duty) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

12 FAPMS Activity Contributions: (offices held, programs worked with...) \_\_\_\_\_

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Nominations **MUST** adhere to spaces allowed for uniform evaluation  
Application extending **BEYOND** this form **WILL NOT** be considered.

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***Aquatic Weed Short Course May 3-6***

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